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NEWS RELEASES

JENNIFER A. WARREN NAMED ASSISTANT BUREAU
IN WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU;
TROY TANNER BECOMES INTERNATIONAL
BUREAU SENIOR LEGAL ADVISOR [Internet
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**COMMISSION SEEKS COMMENT ON NOTICE OF
PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON AMENDMENTS TO
CABLE EQUIPMENT COST RULES --CS Docket No. 96-
57 (Report No. DC 96-22, Action in Docket Case)

The Commission has adopted a Notice of Proposed
Rulemaking (FCC 96-177), to implement Section 301(j) of
the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "1996 Act"),
which requires the Commission to allow cable operators to
aggregate, on a franchise, system, regional, or company
level, their equipment costs into broad categories.

Action by the Commission by NPRM (FCC 96-
177) adopted, March 18, 1996.

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(202) 416-0800. [Internet filename:nrcb6003.txt]

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No. D-844 - MASS MEDIA BUREAU
MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
APPLICATIONS.

Report No. D-844-A - MASS MEDIA BUREAU
MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
APPLICATIONS.

Report No. 23698 - BROADCAST APPLICATIONS.

Report No. 43698 - BROADCAST ACTIONS.

Report No. 1248 - CABLE TELEVISION RELAY
SERVICE (CARS) APPLICATIONS -- RE: Applications
Accepted for Filing.

Report No. NCS-96-20 - WIRELESS NARROWBAND
COMMERCIAL SERVICE INFORMATION.

Report No. NCS-96-20-A - WIRELESS NARROWBAND
BRANCH INFORMATION.

Report No. 1179 - WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS
BUREAU PART 21 RECEIPTS AND DISPOSALS --
Week of March 06 thru March 13, 1996.

Report No. N-012-A - COMMON CARRIER NETWORK

SERVICES APPLICATIONS.

Report No. SPB-40 – SATELLITE POLICY BRANCH
INFORMATION: APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR
FILING.

Report No. DS-1613 – SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES INFORMATION.

Report No. DS-1614 – SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES.

TEXTS

THE PETROLEUM V. NASBY CORPORATION.

Granted in part and denied in part applications for review
and remanded this FM proceeding to the presiding judge.
(By MO&O [FCC 96-103] adopted March 11, 1996, by the
Commission)

COMMUNITY TV CORP., DBA THE AMERICABLE
GROUP. Affirmed Bureau's denial of confidentiality
request made with respect to rate justification materials
(i.e., FCC Form 393). (By MO&O [FCC 96-101] adopted
March 11, 1996 by the Commission)

TKR CABLE COMPANY OF RAMAPO. Affirmed
Bureau's denial of confidentiality request made with respect
to rate justification materials (i.e., FCC Form 393). (By
MO&O [FCC 96-102] adopted March 11, 1996 by the
Commission)

****AGGREGATION OF EQUIPMENT COSTS BY CABLE
OPERATORS.** Proposed to amend the Commission rules
to implement Section 301(j) of the Telecommunications Act
of 1996 which adds a new Section 623(a)(7) to the
Communication Act of 1934 as amended. This new section
will allow cable operators to aggregate, on a franchise,
system, regional, or company level, their equipment costs
into broad categories regardless of the varying levels of
functionality of the equipment within each such broad
category. Comments are due 15 days from publication in
the Federal Register and reply comments are due ten days
after comments are due. (By NPRM, CS Docket No. 96-
57 [FCC 96-117] adopted March 18, 1996 by the
Commission)

CMA CABLEVISION ASSOCIATES. Denied complaints
filed against the rate charged for cable programming service
in Frostburg, MD. (By MO&O [DA 96-192] adopted
February 15, 1996 by the Chief, Financial Analysis and
Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau)

CABLEVISION OF NEWARK. Denied complaints filed
against the rate charged for cable programming service in
Newark and South Orange, NJ. (By MO&O [DA 96-193]
adopted February 15, 1996 by the Chief, Financial Analysis
and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau)

TKR CABLE COMPANY. Granted the complaints filed
against the rate charged for cable programming service in

Clarkstown and Montvale, NJ. (By MO&O [DA 96-226] adopted February 22, 1996 by the Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

LAFAYETTE CABLE TV COMPANY. Granted the complaints filed against the rate charged for cable programming service in Lafayette, GA. (By MO&O [DA 96-227] adopted February 22, 1996 by the Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

LAKE CABLEVISION, INC. Granted the complaints filed against the rate charged for cable programming service in Bethlehem, GA. (By MO&O [DA 96-228] adopted February 22, 1996 by the Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

LIBERTY CORPORATION. Granted petition filed by Liberty Corporation seeking special relief for modification of Biloxi-Gulfport-Pascagoula, Mississippi ADI; ordered Gulf American Cable to commence carriage of WLOX-TV (ABC, Ch. 13), Biloxi, Mississippi on its system serving four communities in Mississippi. (By MO&O [DA 96-262] adopted February 28, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

GO INC. Granted signal carriage complaint filed by GO Inc. and requiring Prime Cable to carry KLTJ(TV) on its cable systems serving Houston, Texas area communities. (By MO&O [DA 96-306] adopted March 4, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

TIME WARNER CABLE OF HOUSTON/GO INC. Denied petition for special relief to delete several Houston, Texas area cable communities from KLTJ(TV)'s television market. Granted signal carriage complaint filed by GO Inc. and requiring Time Warner Cable of Houston to carry KLTJ(TV) on its several cable systems serving Houston, Texas area communities. (By MO&O [DA 96-307] adopted March 4, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

CABLEVISION OF MASSACHUSETTS. Granted request of Television Broadcast Station WGOT (Channel 60), Merrimack, New Hampshire, for mandatory carriage by Cablevision of Massachusetts. (By MO&O [DA 96-312] adopted March 11, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

PRIME CABLE D\B\A COMMUNITY CABLE TV. Dismissed complaint filed against the rate charged cable programming service in Las Vegas, NV. (By MO&O [DA 96-325] adopted March 11, 1996 by the Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau)

PAXSON HOUSTON LICENSE, INC., HOUSTON, TX. Granted the petition for mandatory carriage of television broadcast station KTFH(TV) on cable systems operated by Home Theater Cablevision in the Northborough section of Houston, Texas and surrounding areas. (By MO&O [DA 96-349] adopted March 11, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

GO INC. Granted signal carriage complaint filed by GO Inc. and requiring TCI-TKR to carry KLTJ(TV) on its cable systems serving Houston, Texas area communities. (By MO&O [DA 96-350] adopted March 11, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Cable Services Bureau)

TRIAX CABLEVISION. Dismissed complaint filed against the rate charged for cable programming service in Grand Rapids, OH. (By MO&O [DA 96-351] adopted March 12, 1996 by the Deputy Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance, Cable Services Bureau)

**REVISION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 402(b)(2)(B) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996: ANNUAL ARMIS REPORTS. Rescinded the proposal in Revision of Reporting Requirements that ARMIS quality of service reports be filed semi-annually and ordered that they be filed annually beginning April 1, 1996. (CC Docket No. 96-23 by Order [DA 96-381] adopted March 18, 1996, by the Chief, Common Carrier Bureau)

PACIFIC BELL. Dismissed petition by Teleport Communications Group, Inc., for declaratory ruling opposing plan by Pacific Bell to relieve an anticipated shortage of telephone numbers in the 310 area code. (By Order [DA 96-394] adopted March 19, by the Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau)

ADDENDA: The following items released March 19 were not listed on Digest 46:

NEWS RELEASE

FCC BUDGET OF \$222,538,000 PROPOSED FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Report No. 1070 - CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE REGISTRATIONS; SPECIAL RELIEF AND OTHER FILINGS.

SPEECHES

REMARKS OF COMMISSIONER SUSAN NESS,
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION,
BEFORE THE AMERICAN ADVERTISING
FEDERATION, "THE POWER OF ADVERTISING,"
MARCH 14, 1996

REMARKS OF MICHELE FARQUHAR, ACTING
CHIEF, WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION BUREAU,
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, TO
THE LAND MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL,
WASHINGTON, MARCH 19, 1996.

TEXTS

NEW YORK TELEPHONE COMPANY AND NEW
ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH
COMPANY. Granted in part and denied in part the petition
for extension of waiver to extend NYNEX's waiver of the
Communications standards governing nonrecurring
reconfiguration charge for one additional year until March
20, 1997. (By MO&O [DA 96-389] adopted March 19,
1996, by the Chief, Common Carrier Bureau)

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